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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

My husband and I keep our phone in our car, using our TracFone for emergencies ONLY. We don't receive calls, we don't chat leisurely on it. We use it as little as possible to avoid purchasing more high-cost calling cards. We have two children and quite a few bills to pay. We can't afford an ordinary cell phone, therefore we use TracFone because it's cheaper and we can pay only for what we absolutely need. Raising the costs, even if for only one dollar, is one less dollar towards our lives. There are enough charges out there to begin with, don't you think you're getting a little greedy? I'm sure for you, one dollar isn't much, but not everyone is as fortunate to have such a cushy job. Some of us actually WORK for every dollar that we receive and don't need some high-powered morons trying to hike up the taxes and misc. charges that are already in place. Please, think of the people that this would affect, perhaps charging those who use their phones frequently (i.e. as !

a home phone, walking around the mall, driving with it attached to their ear, or anywhere else, just to look important) instead of those of us who use it at a minimum. You have to have be able to find another way and avoid charging users similar to us.

(I can't provide my wireless phone number because we never give the number out to receive calls. I don't even know the number to tell you the truth.)

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members

